

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS
HOUSTON DIVISION**

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| THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA | § | |
| <i>ex. rel. MICHAEL SIEMER</i> | § | |
| <i>Plaintiff / Relator</i> | § | |
| | § | |
| <i>v.</i> | § | Civil Action No. 4:21-cv-03347 |
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| CEPEDA DRYWALL, LLC, | § | |
| <i>Defendant,</i> | § | JURY TRIAL DEMANDED |

RELATOR’S MOTION TO SUBSTITUTE COUNSEL

TO THE HONORABLE JUDGE CHARLES ESKRIDGE:

Relator Michael Siemer files this Motion to Substitute Counsel and in support would respectfully show the Court as follows:

Relator Michael Siemer desires that attorney Chad Pinkerton with The Pinkerton Law Firm, PLLC be allowed to withdraw as counsel of record for Relator Michael Siemer, and that the following attorneys be substituted in:

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This motion is not sought for delay, but so that justice may be done. Granting this substitution will not result in prejudice to any party. This substitution will not impact any existing

deadlines in this case at this time. This motion is made at the request and approval of Relator Michael Siemer.

PRAYER

WHEREFORE, PREMISES CONSIDERED, Relator Michael Siemer prays that this Court Substitutes Andrew J. Cobos and Nicholas Kacal of The Cobos Law Firm as attorneys of record for Relator Michael Siemer.

Respectfully Submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Chad Pinkerton, certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing has been served on counsel for all parties via the Court's CM/ECF system this the 20th day of September 2022.

Additionally, the following parties were served via CMRRR:

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